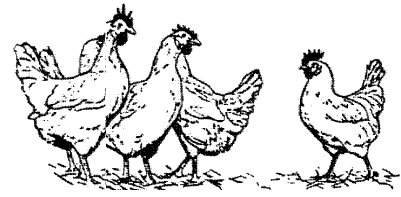


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U.S. MAY EGG PRODUCTION

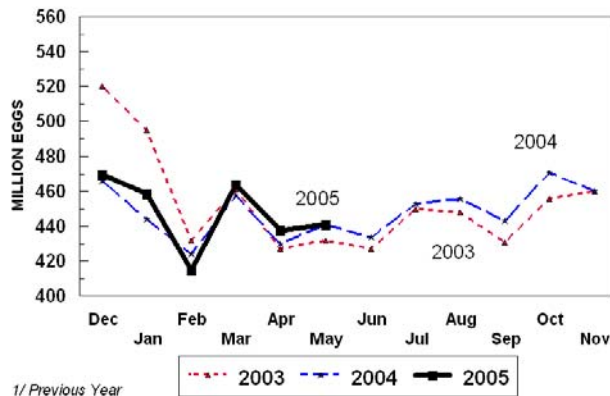
U.S. egg production totaled 7.56 billion during May 2005, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.43 billion table eggs, and 1.13 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.07 billion were broiler-type and 65 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2005 averaged 342 million, down slightly from a year earlier. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,210 eggs, up 1 percent from May 2004.

All layers in the U.S. totaled 342 million on June 1, 2005, down 1 percent from a year ago. The 342 million layers consisted of 282 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 56.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.70 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate-of-lay per day averaged 71.3 eggs per 100 layers on June 1, 2005, up 1 percent from a year ago.

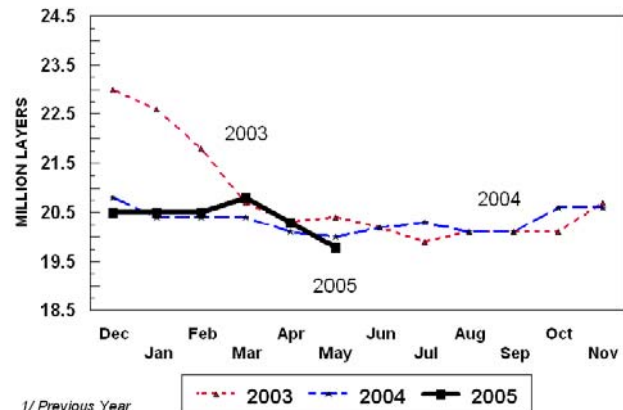
CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during May totaled 441 million, 3.00 million above last month, but the same as last May. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.8 million, 3 percent below last month and 1 percent less than May 2004. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,228 compared to 2,155 last month and 2,203 in May 2004.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2003-2005



AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2003-2005



LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING MAY, FORCED MOLTING AS OF JUNE 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	9,334	9,069	1,907	1,919	178	174	1.5	2.5	2.0	2.5
Arkansas	16,345	14,656	1,958	1,917	320	281	3.5	2.5	8.5	7.0
California	20,014	19,795	2,203	2,228	441	441	5.5	6.0	29.0	34.5
Georgia	20,106	19,180	2,069	2,070	416	397	5.5	2.5	16.5	15.0
Indiana	23,397	23,480	2,282	2,291	534	538	4.0	3.0	32.5	30.5
Iowa	43,567	49,063	2,220	2,211	967	1,085	3.5	5.5	37.5	38.0
North Carolina	11,030	11,008	1,967	2,008	217	221	2.0	1.0	7.5	9.0
Ohio	28,327	28,010	2,199	2,292	623	642	4.5	3.5	26.0	20.0
Pennsylvania	24,082	23,418	2,300	2,387	554	559	4.5	3.0	16.0	14.5
Texas	18,319	17,224	2,222	2,218	407	382	5.5	2.0	22.0	20.5
United States	342,786	342,190	2,192	2,210	7,513	7,563	4.8	4.2	23.1	22.8

U.S. BROILER HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during May 2005 totaled 823 million, up 2 percent from May 2004. Eggs in incubators totaled 667 million on June 1, 2005, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.78 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2005, up 3 percent from May 2004.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, MAY

State	2004	2005	$\frac{2005}{2004}$
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	114,021	116,323	102
Arkansas	116,834	115,450	99
Delaware	13,979	14,803	106
Florida	5,021	4,948	99
Georgia	121,611	123,890	102
Kentucky	26,590	26,782	101
Louisiana	14,492	15,182	105
Maryland	31,999	32,631	102
Mississippi	73,182	70,896	97
North Carolina	68,746	69,619	101
Oklahoma	24,869	24,437	98
Pennsylvania	13,668	14,978	110
South Carolina	13,817	18,780	136
Texas	56,848	58,066	102
Virginia	24,267	24,321	100
California, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	66,894	68,078	102
Other States 1/	23,646	24,222	102
UNITED STATES	810,484	823,406	102

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U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during May 2005 totaled 37.4 million, down 2 percent from May 2004. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.2 million on June 1, 2005, down 4 percent from a year ago.

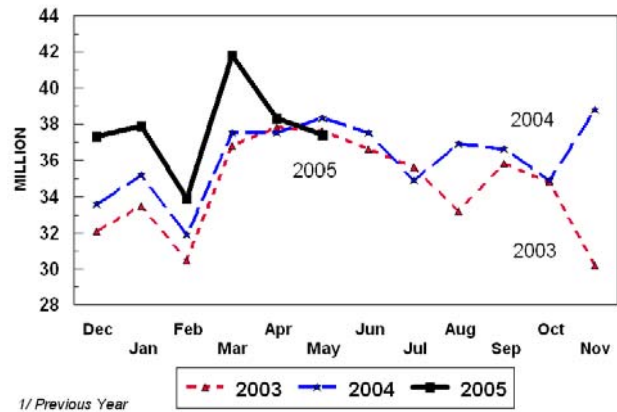
Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 190 thousand during May 2005, up 21 percent from May 2004.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, MAY

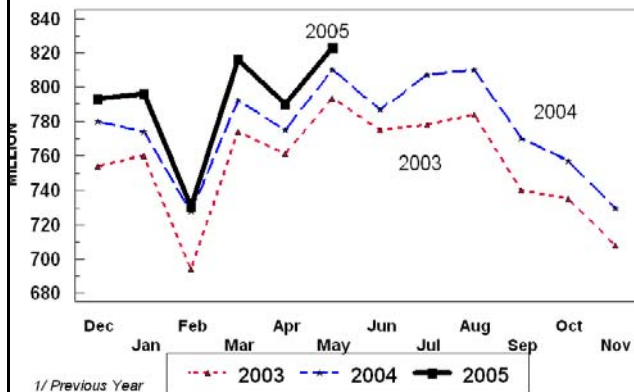
State	2004	2005	$\frac{2005}{2004}$
	Thousands		Percent
Florida	661	751	114
Georgia	2,377	2,315	97
Indiana	4,854	5,329	110
Iowa	5,889	6,449	110
Minnesota	859	1,126	131
Pennsylvania	5,251	4,493	86
Other States 1/	18,456	16,986	92
UNITED STATES	38,347	37,449	98

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EGG TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2003-2005



BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2003-2005



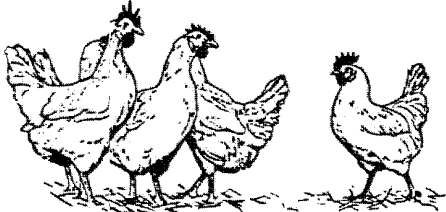
EGGS IN INCUBATORS, JUNE 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2004	2005	$\frac{2005}{2004}$	2004	2005	$\frac{2005}{2004}$
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	11,835	12,143	103	5,467	5,289	97
East No. Central	8,342	8,872	106	7,510	6,686	89
West No. Central	25,102	24,858	99	8,262	7,725	94
South Atlantic	236,791	241,996	102	2,447	3,493	143
South Central	353,608	353,850	100	4,954	5,272	106
West	25,577	25,754	101	6,038	4,714	78
UNITED STATES	661,255	667,473	101	34,678	33,179	96

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

The average May prices received by California producers, when compared to April average prices, decreased 3.0 cents per dozen for market eggs.

Nationally, the May market egg prices, at 23.6 cents per dozen, decreased 2.5 cents from April. The May broiler price, at 44.0 cents per pound, was unchanged from April, but 6.0 cents below a year ago. The May turkey price, averaging 41.1 cents per pound, is up 1.9 cents from the previous month and up 1.0 cent from a year earlier.



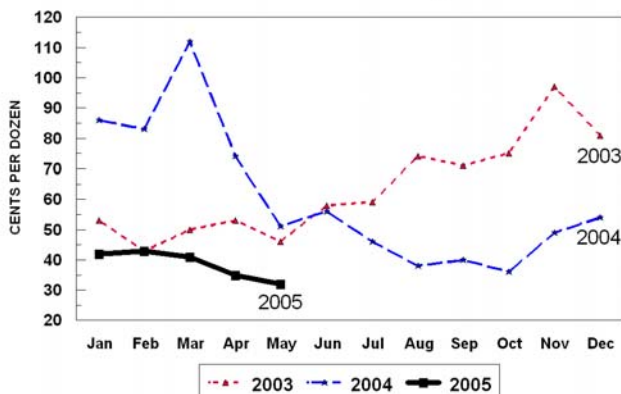
POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED ^{1/}

Commodity	Unit	May 2004	Apr. 2005	May 2005
Cents				
CALIFORNIA				
Market Eggs ^{2/}	Doz.	51.0	35.0	32.0
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lbs.	50.0	44.0	44.0
Market Eggs ^{2/}	Doz.	47.2	26.1	23.6
Turkeys ^{2/}	Lbs.	40.1	39.2	41.1

^{1/} The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

^{2/} Mid-month prices.

MARKET EGG PRICES, CALIFORNIA JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 2002-2004



U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators in the United States totaled 30.2 million on June 1, 2005, 1 percent above June 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were 3 percent above the May 1, 2005 total of 29.3 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 7 percent, West North Central up 2 percent, North and South Atlantic up 2 percent, South Central down 8 percent, and West down 10 percent.

The 23.7 million poults placed during May 2005 in the United States were up slightly from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were up 1 percent from April 2005. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 2 percent, West North Central up 8 percent, North and South Atlantic down 5 percent, South Central down 14 percent, and West down 6 percent.

ALL TURKEYS

Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators June 1		2005 2004	Poults Placed During May ^{1/}		2005 2004
	2004	2005		2004	2005	
	Thousands		Pct.	Thousands		Pct.
E N Central	4,526	4,841	107	3,343	3,398	102
W N Central	11,162	11,405	102	8,754	9,474	108
N&S Atlantic	8,736	8,937	102	7,592	7,211	95
S Central	2,462	2,269	92	1,860	1,606	86
West	3,024	2,708	90	2,143	2,025	94
U.S.	29,910	30,160	101	23,692	23,714	100

^{1/} Excludes exported poults.

TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES ^{1/}

Month	Total All Breeds		04-05 03-04	Cumulative Total		04-05 03-04
	2003-04	2004-05		2003-04	2004-05	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept.	22,171	21,268	96	22,171	21,268	96
Oct.	22,805	20,806	91	44,976	42,074	94
Nov.	22,155	22,232	100	67,131	64,306	96
Dec.	23,424	22,205	95	90,555	86,511	96
Jan.	23,273	21,887	94	113,828	108,398	95
Feb.	22,905	21,321	93	136,733	129,719	95
Mar.	24,215	23,376	97	160,948	153,095	95
Apr.	24,664	23,540	95	185,612	176,635	95
May	23,692	23,714	100	209,304	200,349	96
June	23,291			232,595		
July	25,013			257,608		
Aug.	23,674			281,282		

^{1/} Excludes exported poults.

PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	May 2004	April 2005	May 2005	May 2005 May 2004	May 2005 Apr. 2005
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	44,322	42,389	46,216	104	109
Chickens	Lbs.	29,315	33,811	36,653	125	108
Ducks	Lbs.	49	18	28	57	156
Total Frozen Poultry	Lbs.	73,686	76,218	82,897	113	109
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	571,124	443,105	470,099	82	106
Chickens	Lbs.	669,846	691,406	664,339	99	96
Ducks	Lbs.	1,043	299	452	43	151
Total Frozen Poultry	Lbs.	1,242,013	1,134,810	1,134,890	91	100
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	20,554	18,903	17,667	86	93